PU LUN WILL BE RECEIVED UNDER STATEHOUSE DOME

Preparations for Prince's Enter- Royal Visitor May Be Invited to World's Fair Excursion Trip Will tainment Continue—Committee of Women.

SPEAKERS AT BANQUET MEETING OF THE BOARD TRAIN TO LEAVE JUNE 28

Arrangements are being made properly of the Capitol. An effort will be made to eon prepared by the young women. get enough of the national Chinese colors American bunting.

for the proper care of the prince at the Claypool Hotel,, where he will have his home while in the city. Even such a seem- ther ingly small matter as proper arrangements for the royal food have been completed. The private Chinese chef of the prince and the meals for the prince will be served in the Oriental room.

Practically everything is complete for the banquet for the prince, which will be given Thursday evening, May 19, in the large be Senators Fairbanks and Beveridge, hoff Bros., \$6,185.

hoped that they may also speak at the ored is 3,615 the prince are very anxious that manufacturers of the city should send to Secretary Lewis Hoover, of the Commercial Club, printed matter and pictures descriptive of their factories at the earliest possible time. The prince will take this literature home with him; have it translated in Chinese, and will place it where it proba-bly will result in considerable benefit to Indianapolis manufacturers. On Saturday prince will be shown through several of the representative factories of the city The manufacturers' committee appointed by the executive committee on the reception of Prince Pu Lun met yesterday afternoon at the Commercial Club. As the committee was not informed to the hours when the factories closed on Saturday final ar-

Works, the International Motor Company and the Elli Lilly Chemical Company. These visits will be made on Saturday, The executive committee was obliged to decline the invitation of Col. A. F. Fleet, of Culver Military Academy, to visit that institution and to witness a review of the carlets, as no convenient date could be set-

rangements could not be perfected. It has

been decided to visit the United States Encaustic Tile Works, the Atlas Engine

The committee of women appointed by the Local Council to arrange for the reception of Prince Pu Lun, with Mrs. May Wright Sewall at its head, has begun active operations. Subcommittees have been

Mrs. George F. Adams, Dr. Rebecca R. George, Mrs. E. C. Atkins, Mrs. Henry Severin, Mrs. D. L. Moody, Miss Lydia R. Blaich, Mrs. Charles E. Coffin, Mrs. Lafayette Page, Mrs. George E. Hume, Mrs. H. S. Tucker, Mrs. E. C. Cornelius, Mrs. William Coleman, Mrs. C. Newcomb, Mrs. Johnathon Oxenford, Mrs. Henrietta Stev-ens, Mrs. Raymond Van Camp, Mrs., H. T. Bennett, Mrs. W. H. Cook, Mrs. Martha E. Landers, Mrs. J. H. Holliday, Dr. Amelia Keller, Mrs. Ellen D. Zinn, Mrs. William Scott, Mrs. John N. Carey, Mrs. V. Chislett, Mrs. Teresa Voss Smith Mrs. C. S. Rhodes, Mrs. A. Wilkinson. Committee on Reception-Mrs. Wright Sewall, chairman; Mrs. Louis J Blaker, Mrs. J. H. Byers, Mrs. May W. Donnan, Mrs. Winfield T. Durbin, Mrs. J. O. Henderson, Mrs. V. K. Hendricks, Mrs. Mary Lord Harrison, Mrs. John Holtzman, Philip Rappaport, Mrs. William J. Richards, Mrs. Charles R. Williams, Mrs. A. M. Robertson, Mrs. Lucius B. Swift. Committee on Presentation-Mrs. May Wright Sewall, chairman; Mrs. John C. Dean, Mrs. Charles W. Fairbanks, Mrs. Ovid B. Jameson.

Committee on Invitation-Mrs. Grace ulian Clarke, , chairman; Miss Harriet Noble, Miss Nebraska Cropsey, Mrs. John E. Cleland, Mrs. Jacob P. Dunn, Miss Mary Dean, Mrs. J. Cumming Smith, Mrs. A. B. Ridenour, Mrs. C. S. Eaglesfield, Mrs. Ida D. Finley, Mrs. Frank Wells, Mrs. W. W. Criley, Mrs. John L. Benedict, Mrs. E. P. Committee on Decoration-Mrs. Alfred F.

Potts, chairman; Miss Julia H. Moore, Mrs. A. B. Leck, Mrs. H. H. Hanna, Mrs. John B. Elam, Mrs. S. D. Farrabee, Mrs. A. P. pruance, Mrs. Nettie Ransford, Mrs. Hugh J. Drummond, Mrs. John L. Griffiths, Miss Caroline Howland, Mrs. W. A. Ketcham, Mrs. C. C. Foster, Mrs. Van yers, chairman; Mrs. J. L. Mothershead, Mrs. S. E. Perkins, Mrs. Edgar J. Foster. Mrs. Charles M. Walker, Mrs. George Henderson, Mrs. A. N. Dwyer, Mrs. Frank Stanley, Mrs. Frederick Baggs, Mrs. D. L. Stoddard, Mrs. H. H. Hall, Mrs. A. L. Mason, Mrs. Meredith Nicholson, Mrs. H. D. Pierce, Mrs. William L. Elder, Mrs. H. D. Walcott, Mrs. J. W. Beck, Mrs. Ben-

The ladies of the city will expect to be appealed to by these various chairmen for the help indicated by the name of their respective committees.

COUNTY COFFERS HOLD TWO MILLION DOLLARS

Taxpayers Have Passed Big Sum of Money Through Cashier's Window.

Could he have kept all of the money that has passed through Cashier Smith's hands of the county treasurer's office in the last few months he would be rated with the has received as taxes from the citizens of Marion county \$2,031,130.98, the greater part of which came through the window of the cashier's office. Of this amount \$1,600.151.15 was current city taxes and \$60,104.04 delin- stripe quent city taxes; \$191,777.82 current county taxes, and \$5,391.45 delinquent county taxes. For city improvements \$113,625.98 was paid

over that of last year is considerable. WILLING TO PAY TO SEE SOLDIERS MARCH

for streets, \$23,280.60 for sidewalks and \$29,-

799.94 for sewers. The increase of the total

City of Warsaw Will Get the Indiana G. A. R. Encampment to Be Held in June.

Citizens of Warsaw have offered to pay the expenses of the state encampment, G. A. R., with the single stipulation that the veterans march through the streets. The proposition has been accepted, and J. N. Neely, assistant adjutant general, has been at Warsaw and has the line of march laid out. The encampment will be held the

No Saloon at Acton.

The Supreme Court yesterday affirmed the action of the Marion county Circuit Court, which refused James Hoop, of Acton, a license to run a saloon in the latter village. Hoop brought up the question of apheld b, the court

SCHOOL GIRLS MAY COOK FOR THE CHINESE PRINCE

Take Luncheon at the Manual Training School.

If a suggestion made at last night's to decorate the interior of the Statehouse, meeting of the School Board by Superinso that it may be a fitting place for the tendent C. N. Kendall is carried out, public reception of Prince Pu Lun when he | Prince Pu Lun will not only set to pay plete, but it is probable that the reception | cook, but he will see them at their work, will be held directly beneath the big dome and will be invited to partake of a lunch-

to please the most celestial of visitors, School say that no particular attention has but there also will be a profusion of good ever been paid to teaching the cooking classes how to cook birds' nests, the great All arrangements have been completed Chinese delicacy, but promise that if the prince will be satisfied with the best culinary art in the State he need go no far-

Besides the prince, Mayor Holtzman and tinued on to Salt Lake City, through Ogthe members of the board are to be invited to the luncheon, if the educational committee thinks it a good plan to entertain the will be allowed free access to the kitchen, prince after the manner suggested. This committee will meet at noon Thursday, at which time the question will be definitely | Oct. 31, allowing stop-overs at any point |

new school to be located at the corner of | members of the party a wide choice as to Laura and Ohio streets were opened, and places visited and time spent on the trip. the contract was awarded to Warren & One may spend the summer in Colorado or dining room of the hotel. The room will Wise. The contractors and their respective leave out parts of the trip and still have be decorated with flowers, and as closely bids follow: Warren & Wise, \$31,000; J. the advantage of the low rate. as possible the color scheme will be yellow | A. Schumacher, \$32,372; Jungclaus Comand green. A number of invitations have pany, \$31,500; George A. Weaver, \$31,985.

The contract for the heating plant was been sent out, Alfred F. Potts, chairman also awarded after opening the bids, Johnof the banquet committee, said last night | son & Son being the successful bidders. that it is probable that some one has been The bids follow: For heating, Lewis & overlooked whose company would be de- Kitchen, \$5,950; G. J. Mast Heating Comsirable, and information of such an over- pany, \$6,353; Woolen & Callom, \$5,981.95; sight would gladly be received by him. Johnson & Son. \$5,828; J. S. Farrell & Co., Among the speakers of the evening will \$6,498; Kruse & Dewenter, \$5,978; Kirk-

John L. Griffiths, James Whitcomb Riley | The legal report of the city's school and Meredith Nicholson. Several selections enumeration was also submitted to the on the violin will be contributed by Hugh | board. It includes all of the city's population between the ages of six and twenty-Governor Durbin and Mayor Holtzman one. The total number is 43,517, or an inwill speak at the public welcome of the crease of 911 over last year. The total pated the details for a trip to Cuba next for the picturesque," she said. "They could not have chosen a prettier place for the crease of 911 over last year. The total pated the details for a trip to Cuba next for the picturesque," will be completed. "Within the lofty tomb of thy sire, Orm number of whites is 39,902, and that of col-

that he has employed William Stecher as physical instructor, Mr. Stecher comes from the Muegge Institute of St. Louis, where he was employed as director of physical training. He is a graduate of the Milwaukee Training School.

SUMMER GIRL REVELS IN BLOSSOMS OF SILKS

Fair Shoppers Linger Longingly at the Shrine of the Blooming Parasol.

The green room on the fourth floor of the L. S. Ayres & Co. store blossomed out yesterday into a flower garden whereof the blossoms were parasols of various kinds and sizes, from the big imported sunshade of accordion-plaited chiffon and silk and lace, which will shield the summer girl from the rays of the summer sun -if the summer sun ever concludes to shine-to the perennial little pink and blue Committee on Finance-Mrs. John W. ruffled affairs which the lady of three or Kern, chairman; Mrs. Edward F. Hodges, four tilts over her shoulder with an utter ruffled affairs which the lady of three or disregard for the direction of the sun-

> Some distinctly new ideas are shown in the parasols for the coming summer as sols the imported sunshades are among the prettiest, and one of the most elegant of these is of heavy moire silk in cream white, each section of the sunshade set with a big irregular medallion of rich lace in leaf form, edged about by the narrowitself is edged by a very narrow ruching of black ribbon, which is so arranged as to give an effective touch of irregularity to the edge. Another fetching sunshade from across the seas is of white silk. A vandyked border of accordion-plaited chiffon is set about the center of the parasol and, caught at both edges, gives soft-ness and daintiness to the shade. At either side of the points are openwork insertions and a narrow ruffle of accordion-plaited chiffon finishes off the coquettish parasol. with which it is set all ruffled about by chiffon frills, while still another one of pale blue is covered by narrow applique in pink and white set on in decorative pattern. Most of the imported sunshades are very much larger than those of domestic manufacture and form a canopy quite big enough to shield the most spreading of picture hats from the sunshine.

The sunburst pattern is one of the very new ideas and in some of the color com-Not all the parasols are characterized by long sticks. The shorter handle of natural wood is the finish to many of the prettiest parasols. The coaching parasols, which Hoff, Mrs. W. A. Royse, Miss Anna Newby. come in the trimmest kind of shapes and CITIZENS OF LAWRENCE the smartest of plain colors, have either CITIZENS OF LAWRENCE handles, too, show great diversity of design; one is an owl's head and it takes a frivolous hand to grasp the parasol by its serious handle; another is a parrot in the natural coloring, and still another is a gro-

tesque dog's head. Despite the recent rage for plaids, the plaid parasol is practically unrepresented n the collection. The small check and the stripe, however, abound and may be found in any number of effective combinations, The gun-metal silks, either plain or fancy, are also good. The prices of the little sun umbrellas

varies almost as much as the styles. The handsome imported sunshades cost usually \$15 or \$18, while for \$2.50 or \$3 one can get a trim little sunshade of almost any desired color and style, pert and dainty enough to satisfy the heart of the most exacting summer maid. Dainty wicker boxes in pretty colors are shown for the packing and keeping of the parasols. There are few of the parasols which are duplicates and in the more ex-

pensive patterns one model only is shown, M. T. H. S. NEWS NOTES.

The Phi Delta Nus gave a theater party at the Grand last Saturday. Small pictures of the June class are now being sold for 50 cents. Irwin Cotton is the

The Zi-Kis of Tango have procured their

new jersies. They are black, with a green Some of the assistants have organized a quartet. The members are Miss Storms, Miss Huebner, Miss King and Miss Kellogg.

The senior annual will appear on June 1. A great many things have been done to make it the most attractive edition ever The Ran-Cheros met last night at the

home of G. Vernon Underwood, on Park avenue. The plans for commencement were The Colleens will meet this week at the home of Ethel Wright, 1522 College avenue. The meeting will probably be prolonged into

a "slumber" party. The different "frats" at Indiana University have made elaborate preparations for the entertainment of all those on the track team, as well as many students, who will

go to Bloomington next Saturday. The Troubadors, a club composed mostly of Training School students, will give the last dance of their season at Brenneke's next Monday night. Walter Hiatt is president of the club and Otto Mauer secretary. The January and June classes of 1904 will end their school life with a dance at the Brenneke Academy on Thursday evening. May 26. They will use the larger hall, and about fifty couples will attend. It promises to be the leading social event of the school

Meeting of Improvement League.

A meeting will be held Saturday afterneon of the Indianapolis Civic Improvement the blanket remenstrance and the power of League at the Commercial Club to conattorney. The constitutionality of the law sider means by which the league may bring and the regularity of the proceedings were about desirable improvements in many parts of the city.

SHORTRIDGE STUDENTS TO MAKE A WESTERN TOUR

Be Extended to Yellowstone Park.

the recent Shortridge High School excur-Indianapolis June 28 and will visit the The instructors of the Manual Training | the National Educational Association, thus enabling teachers and others who may desire to attend this great educational gath-

be conducted through Colorado, where several days will be spent in visiting points of interest. The journey will then be conden to the Yellowstone Park. A week will

The tickets will be good returning until and return by any route from Salt Lake During last night's session bids for the City or Colorado points. This allows the From St. Louis Pullman sleepers will be used all the way, and all other service will

> details yet to be arranged Many of the students of the school and members of the faculty will take advantage of the excursion to spend their vacation in the West. Already enough have signified of the persons who have been on the other excursions conducted by him will take advantage of this splendid opportunity of seeing the world's fair. If the trip proves to be the success antici-

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY TO MEET IN THIS CITY

Twentieth Annual Session Will Be Held in Grand Lodge Hall May 16 and 17.

The Rebekah Assembly of Indiana will old its twentieth annual session in this city in the Grand Lodge Hall, I. O. O. F., on the 16th and 17th of this month. Be- They were not afraid of work.' sides the routine reports of the various officers and committees, the question of an additional building at the Greensburg stone crowning the apex of our fell. Let Degree work will be conferred by the degree staffs of Honor Lodge, 418, and Sylvia Lodge, 441, in Tomlinson Hall, on the evening of the last day. General J. E. Bodine and staff will confer the degree of chivalry at the same time.

TEN YEARS' ROMANCE ENDS IN WEDDING

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. covering many years ended here to-day in the marriage of Miss Kittle Hews, former society editor of the Herald, and Frank T. Roberts, of Sparta, Mich. Ten years ago Miss Hews was employed in the office

Hews had been kind, and who spoke of it in her letter. Mr. Roberts wrote to Miss in to-day's marriage, which took place at me, Miss Ravengar, what does this red 6:30 o'clock this morning, being performed streak resemble? by the Rev. Clarke R. Parker, of the First Baptist Church.

WANTS HIS RIG, BUT THE WIFE MAY GO

Special to the Indianapolis Journal. NEW ALBANY, Ind., May 10.-Frank His family and property disapchildren." Bower informed the police, "my wife and the other child can go where they

please." He said he could not account for

FEAR SOLDIERS' LEAD

Quartermaster General Perry, of the Indiana National Guard, has gone to Washingcarry over 300 yards, and is for use in target practice. Citizens of Lawrence have complained that the use of regulation ammunition would endanger lives in the neighbor-

The Day's Incorporations.

The Parkway Pavilion Company of this city was incorporated yesterday with a capplaces in the city to be rented to merchants. Walter C. Clark, William Dammeyer, James Yuncker, Charles A. Bates, William P. Huston, Fred B. Akin, John W. Quill, Major M. Poole, Thomas S. Markey, William E. Stewart and Thomas F. Hornaday are directors Another incorporation was the Farmers' Mutual Telephone Company of Owen county. Capital stock, \$1,000. The directors are Edward F. White, Philip Hauser and S. H.

Daily Illustrated Joke



DIFFERENT KINDS.

Customer-Let me have a gallon of Clerk-Yes'm. For the bicycle, bathtub or

THE VIKING'S SKULL

A Tale of a Mystery and Its Solution

By JOHN R. CARLING : : : Copyright by Little, Brown & Co.

Synopsis of Preceding Chapters.

A young English woman, with her young son, prison a few miles away, sent there for a murder which his wife believes him not guilty. An ancient runic ring, which tradition said had been made by Odin, figured in the quarrel with the murdered man, and this ring the mother one day showed to her son. Then she told him the story if his father, and made him promise when he became a man to find the real murderer and lear his father's name. The same night the unic ring was stolen by a masked robber, and shortly after the convict. Eric Marville, havtaken back to prison he was rescued and carried off by friends. This is the prologue o the main story, which begins with the return of Marville to the house of his father, the Earl of Ormsby, who had not known where his son had been. At his father's death he assumed the title, married and had a son. To his first wife's son he gave no heed for some unexplained reason, but later heard that he was dead. The second son returned from his travels after completing his education and brought with him a nysterious casket, which a wakeful guest in the house watched him convey secretly to the family vault. The earl wished his son to marry a young and wealthy cousin, Beatrice, and he reuctantly consented. It was this cousin's halfthe vault. At this juncture Idris Marville, the earl's son, supposed to be dead, came to visit Godfrey, who was an old friend, bearing, however, the name of Breakspear, the name by which his mother had been known in Brittany. Neither he nor Godfrey knew of the former's relationship to the earl. Idris had come, howfather. He had translated the inscription on the runic ring, a copy of it having been among his mother's papers. It pointed to a treasure in a tomb, and certain indications led him to believe that this ancient tomb was near Ormsby.

[Chapter V. Continued from Yesterday.]

"We want no geologist," he remarked, to tell us that this is an artificial elevation. Nature never carved out this pyramid; it has been raised by the hand of man. This is the 'lofty tomb' spoken of on the runic ring. Within the heart of this old Orm the Viking. Beatrice shared fully in his enthusiasm. She had seen the mound many a time, but now the words on the runic ring had invested the spot with a new and mysterious

"Orm's warriors were men with a taste ess loved well, as became a Norse Viking. And here for ages he has remained in solitary glory, with the surge forever mur-

"This is certainly a tremendous mass of earth to pile over one poor mortal," said Beatrice, contemplating the mound. "Every vassal was supposed to contribute one helmetful of soil to the grave of his "Judged by that test Orm must have had pretty numerous following," said Beat-

than the orthodox helmetful. O they could toil as well as fight, these old Norsemen. "May the old Norse blood in us never

"Amen to that! But I see an upright Home will be discussed, and an excursion | us examine it. There may be runes upon it." Idris extended his hand to Beatrice and Arrived at the summit he closely inspected the stone, which was a six-sided pillar, about four feet in height, black in color, relieved here and there by curious red "So far as I can see," he said, "this pillar does not betray any mark of a tool. Its

hexagonal shape, then, is due to nature. The stone is basalt, which often assumes a six-sided form. These red spirals are apparently sandstone. It is evident that the mass of basalt, of which this pillar is a fragment, was forced upwards in an LAPORTE, Ind., May 10.—A romance sandstone, taking up some of the latter in its passage. Hence these red convoluted

"I have heard that there is only one place in Europe where basalt of this character is to be found," said Beatrice, "and that is in a certain valley of the Crimea." of Mr. Roberts, who is a wealthy real- are said by some historians to have been estate man and fruit grower. His first wife of Scythian origin, and to have migrated was then living, but she died several years from the region of the Crimea. Perhaps Recently thoughts of his former stenog- them. It may have been a baitulion, or holy rapher were aroused by the receipt of a let- stone; in fact," continued Idris, as he repillar, "there can be no doubt about it. Look on this side, and you will see why a sacred character was attributed to it. Tell

> "A curved sword!" cried Beatrice, in wonderment. "Why have I never noticed it before? A curved sword, with blade, hilt, and cross-guard, as perfect as if drawn by "Just so. And history says that the ancient Scythlans worshiped a scimitar-an appropriate deity for a barbaric and warlike race. This hexagon, stamped with the image of their god, would be holy in their eyes. It would be their altar-stone, and

necessary companion in all their migra-Beatrice, not doubting the truth of Idris's theory, gazed with a feeling almost akin an adjoining county. He learned they had been seen driving in the direction of this to be its attribute. In its presence she and the superstition of a far-off age had ele-Idris were but as the quickly-evaporating lew; long after their bodies should have crumbled to dust this altar would remain. A silent contemporary of the rise and fall and fall of many to come. If ever stone was eloquent on the evanescence of all things human, surely this stone was! Such were Beatrice's thoughts, while Idris, more prosaic, was on his knees, removing the earth from the foot of the pillar, and scraping the surface of the stone with his penknife in the hope of finding runic letters engraved upon it: but in this he met with disappointment; each face of the hexagon was free from inscription. "I was hoping," he said, rising to his

feet, "to come upon some epitaph, such as, I. Magnus, raise this stone to the memory of my sire, Orm,' which would give me proof that I am on the right track, since, after all, my opinion that this is the tomb of the Golden Viking is purely conjectural,' They descended to level ground again, and Idris proceeded to walk slowly around the base of the hillock, endeavoring to take no more than a foot at each step. "The circumference is, roughly speaking, about one hundred and fifty feet," he remarked, when he had completed the cir-"The diameter, therefore, will be about fifty, and the center about twenty-"If you have that distance, or nearly

through, you have a hard task," said Beat-"My work will be of a much lighter nature. I trust. If this tumulus has been constructed like the generality of its kind, there should be a stone passage leading to it from the side of the mound. Earth was piled over the mouth of the passage, but marks, usually taking the shape of two upright stones, were left to indicate the "What point of the compass did the Norsemen favor when constructing the

distance, of sould earth to bore

entrance-passage of their tumuli?" "The point of ingress usually faced the "This is the easternmost point, nearest the sea," said Beatrice, moving onward a few steps; and full of their enterprise, she cried. "Let us try to find the guide-

They carefully surveyed the eastern curve of the base, Beatrice probing the point of her sunshade, and Idris with the ferule of his walking-stick, among the long grass and bracken that grew in profusion at the foot of the hillock. Their search, however, was without result. "I am at fault it seems," said Idris, "or, it may be, the rain of centuries has washed

down so much earth from the side of the mound that the guide-stones at its foot have became buried. We can do nothing without proper tools." "Let us explore all round," suggested Beatrice, the spirit of adventure growing pushed into the side of the hillock at the They examined the entire circuit of the base, and, when that investigation was

Beatrice seated herself on a grassy bank "This will never do," he muttered, rue-

fully contemplating the hillock. "I must the course of his sword had described three discover the mouth of the passage. If I sides of a rectangle. begin to bore at any other point I might indeed reach the wall of the central chamwould be difficult, if not impossible, to in the soil, are two stone blocks a little make a way through the masonry. Besides, distance apart, with a third resting crossas I cannot admit the co-operation of any wise upon them, the three forming a kind one but Godfrey, tunneling through twenty of doorway. We have only to remove the feet of earth is a task that will take sev- earth overlaying them, and we shall find eral nights, not to speak of the impossibility a hollow passage beyond. of concealing our work in the daytime." "Or the risk of your tunnel falling upon | Idris continued. you, in which case," added Beatrice, de-

murely, "you would have much ground for

"Wicked Miss Ravengar! Would you jest at my misfortunes? I will defeat your hopes by finding the legitimate entrance. "And how do you propose to find it?" "Well, I conceive that the entrance is shaped like an ordinary doorway, that is to say, it consists of two upright stones a little distance apart, with a third resting horizontally upon them. I shall have to move round the base of the hillock with an iron implement, sriking into the soil till I meet with stone. A little judicious probing will soon tell me whether it be a bowlder, or one of the entrance-columns. If a bowlder merely, I shall have to pass on, repeating my experiment.

"But if these entrance-columns stand well within the hillock you may go all round without lighting upon them."
"In that case I shall have to begin again,

and strike deeper." "Even then you may fail. You are arguing on the supposition that the mouth of the passage must be on a level with the base of the hillock, whereas it may be higher, six, nine or twelve feet above level ground. And," pursued Beatrice, "if you conduct your operations in the manner you describe, it will be difficult to keep your work secret. The disturbed state of the soil, and the uprooting of the herbage, will tell a tale to the earl's bailiffs." "Humph! these are difficulties which call for a cheroot," replied Idris. "You have no objection, Miss Ravengar? Thank you," he continued, lighting it. "Now to put on my thinking-cap." Reclining upon the grass he puffed thoughtfully at his cheroot, and gazed at the green mound that seemed to be quietly

mocking his endeavors. "Ormfell appears determined to keep its secret," said Beatrice. "We want Belzoni here.

"Belzoni? 'I thank the Jew.'-or shall I say Jewess?- for teaching me that word. Shall an Italian find his way to the heart of the great stone pyramid, while I, an Englishman, am to be defeated by a paltry cone of earth, fifty feet only in diameter tumulus we shall find all that remains of Never!" he exclaimed theatrically. "How," he continued, knitting his brows in perplexity, "how were the Norsemen themselves enabled to remember where the point of ingress lay? They must surely have left some mark to indicate it.' For the twentieth time that morning Idris

not have chosen a prettier place for the the Golden, wilt thou find the treasure a sign.' How long am I to be baffled by this dark oracle? What is meant by the 'oft-carried throne?' The light of understanding suddenly leaped into Beatrice's eyes, and she pointed excitedly to the piece of basalt crowning

"Mr. Breakspear, are not the words oft-carried very applicable to that stone, if it has really been brought over sea and land from the Crimea? Is not that the 'throne' alluded to?' The cheroot dropped from Idris's lips, and he sprang to his feet with a cry of exul-

'Oft-carried throne?' Yes, that must As the holy baitulion of a tribe, marked with the image of their deity, it new chief would stand when invested with kingly rule. That piece of basalt was a kind of Lai Fail, like the coronation stone at Westminster.'

than ever," said Beatrice, her eyes sparkling with pleasure at having solved a problem that had perplexed Idris so long. 'We have discovered the oft-carried throne, and the oft-carried throne is to be to us for a sign. A sign of what?" otherwise there would be no reason for engraving the fact on the ring." "Do the words mean that the stone stands over the entrance itself? If we remove it shall we discover the mouth of a "Scarcely, I think: for, if so, the stone would be a sign at all hours of the twenty-

four, whereas the language of the ring re-

stricts its significance to the noontide hour Beatrice, referring to her watch. "Good! We will wait till then. I have formed my opinion. Mark my words, Miss Ravengar, we shall find that the entrance is on the northern side. The noontide hour will show whether I am right. relighted it, and reclining once more upon the grassy bank, waited for the time to

pass, while Beatrice sat beside him in a state of pleasing suspense "Now, if my grandfather were here," she remarked, "he might be able to tell us whether or not Ormfell contains the treasure, without taking the trouble to break

into the tumulus.'

"Then your grandfather must have been a remarkably clever fellow.' "He was. By simply walking barefoot over the ground he was able to tell whether metals lay below, and not only that, but the depth even at which they lay. He has been known to point out and trace accurately the course of water, veins of metal, coal-"I heave heard of similar feats performed

measures, and the like.' by miners of the Hartz mountains," said Idris, "but have always regarded such stories as apocryphal. Had your grand-father any theory to account for this mar-

velous power?' "His idea was that the proximity of metals imparted a peculiar sensation to the soles of his feet, the intensity of the impression being a measure of their nearness to the surface. His belief was that metals cast off subtle exhalations capable of being detected by a highly magnetic organism, which his undoubtedly was." "There may be something in that theory.

There are persons who cannot enter the mint without fainting." 'He always maintained." "that this valley of Ravensdale was the center of a rich coalfield. "Your grandfather's power of divining for metals has not descended to you and Godfrey, I presume?

"I sometimes think it has in a slight degree. We still keep his walking-stick cut from the witch-hazel. This stick would turn visibly in his hands at the proximity of metals; it has sometimes turned in Godfrey's hands, and more than once in mine. "Strange! Well, if this stick is capable of being affected by metals let Godfrey by all means bring it with him to-night," said Idris, more in jest than in earnest. "The treasures of the Viking, supposing them to be still within the hillock, may lie concealed under the floor of the chamber, and we shall be at a loss to know at what point to dig for them. The minutes moved tardily on, and as the

meridian hour approached, Beatrice said:

"Have you noticed how the shadow cast by the stone creeps slowly along over the face of the ground? This hillock could easiy be turned into a giant sun dial." "You echo my thoughts, Miss Ravengar, And it seems to me that this shadow will furnish us with the clue we want." "You mean that the shadow of the stone will fall on the very spot where the entrance is?" "Not quite: for in that case the shadow would be an uncertain guide, varying with the sun's altitude at the different seasons: and, besides, you will notice that the shadow is many yards from the foot of the tumulus. It is not probable that the secret entrance lies so far off. No: my idea is this. Connect the oft-carried throne and its shadow with an ideal line and near the point where this line cuts the base of the hillock will be found the mouth of the passage. It is the noontide hour now," continued Idris, rising. "We will put a little pile of stones to mark the spot where the apex of the shadow falls-so. he added, suiting the action to the word. "Now all we have to do is to walk from this point to the foot of the hillock, keeping in a bee-line with that piece of basalt or the summit, and, unless I err, we shall hi upon the entrance. Speaking thus Idris began his experiment.

When he had come to the foot of the hillock, Beatrice observed with surpris that the thick, heavy walking-stick carried by him was in reality the receptacle for a long and stout sword. This weapon he spot touched by the imaginary line, After a series of probings, begun on a level with the ground and continued in an over, were no wiser than when they had upward direction, Irdis paused with a gleam of excitement on his face. Changing the direction, he resumed his probing, facing the tumulus, and Idris took his moving horizontally to the right and stopping again. Then he continued the movement, this time coming downward, so that

emotion, "I have found the entrance! As ber, but I should be on the outside, and it I live, I have found it! Here, hidden with-Beatrice's cheek colored with pleasure as

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